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Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
State of Louisiana
Post Office Box 44275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

Sub-Anhydrite Zone of the Rodessa Formation,
SIBLEY FIELD, Webster Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

NELSON ENERGY, INC. ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Sub-Anhydrite Zone of the Rodessa Formation in the Sibley Field, Webster Parish, Louisiana:

1. To authorize Applicant to complete, designate and utilize its Gibbs et al. No. 1 Well as a substitute unit well for SUB ANHY SUA, said well being located as location shown on the attached plat, in exception to the well location provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 148-H, effective August 1, 1966.
2. To find that a substitute unit well for SUB ANHY SUA is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the Sub-Anhydrite Zone of the Rodessa Formation underlying SUB ANHY SUA which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well on the unit.
3. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

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business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such data which is not otherwise available at the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Mr. Moreland at the expense of the requesting party.

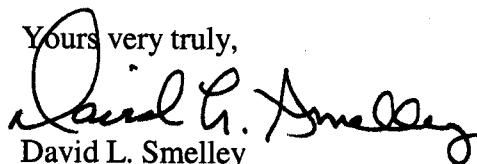
As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

Pursuant to the aforesaid Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of this letter and of the attached plat is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and the attached plat at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Sibley Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

A check payable to the Office of Conservation and covering the application fee is enclosed.

Yours very truly,



David L. Smelley

Attorney for Nelson Energy, Inc.

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encls.)

